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Reply to Attn of: Office of the Chief Engineer

TO: Distribution

FROM: NASA Chief Engineer

SUBJECT: Space Asset Protection Requirements

The intent of this memorandum is to provide updated direction on Project Protection Plans (PPP) which supersedes the Space Asset Protection Program (SAPP) and threat summary requirements in NPR 7120.5E, NASA Space Flight Program and Project Management Requirements.

In accordance with the National Space Policies Presidential Program Directives (PPD 4 and 21) and the National Aeronautics and Space Act, NASA is required to identify and protect its critical space assets, data and supporting infrastructure. To partially help satisfy these requirements, Project Protection Plans (PPP) will be implemented for designated projects in accordance with the process and prioritization criteria detailed in the updated Protection Plan Development and Approval Process (Enclosure 1). The list of projects requiring a full or tailored PPP was approved by the NASA Associate Administrator on December 21, 2015, and is included in the PPP Prioritization and Implementation Requirements list (Enclosure 2). These updated SAPP requirements will be formally integrated into NPR 7120.5 during its next revision cycle.

Additional supporting documentation, such as a PPP template can be found on the secure web portal, NEN community of Practice for SAPP, or through your organization's SAPP working group member. If there are any additional questions, please contact Mr. Stephen Kapurch at 202-358-2376, or skapurch@nasa.gov.

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2 Enclosures:

1. Protection Plan Development and Approval Process
2. Protection Plan Prioritization and Implementation Requirements

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